

REMARKS

Applicants have now had an opportunity to carefully consider the Examiner's comments set forth in the Office Action of November 18, 2004.

Reconsideration of the Application is requested.

In the Office Action the Examiner indicated that allowable subject matter resided in a printing system including a media path system having multiple path sections wherein a third path section merges into and out of first and second path sections such that media traveling along any of the first, second or third path sections may be routed to any other of the first, second, or third path sections. This limitation has been added to the only independent claims 1 and 11, so it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance. Early notice thereof is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons detailed above, it is submitted all claims remaining in the application (Claims 1-18) are now in condition for allowance. The foregoing comments do not require unnecessary additional search or examination.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he/she is hereby authorized to call Patrick R. Roche, at Telephone Number (216) 861-5582.

Respectfully submitted,

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